

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re patent application of  
Masao Goto, et al.

Serial No.: 10/628,305

Group Art Unit: 3726

Filed: July 29, 2003

Examiner: Unknown

For: ROLLER MEMBER AND METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 CFR §1.97 through §1.99 and pursuant to applicant's duty of disclosure under 37 CFR §1.56, applicant respectfully brings the following documents, cited in the European Search Report and listed on the attached form PTO-1449, to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application. Copies of the listed documents are provided herewith for the convenience of the Examiner.

In compliance with the concise explanation requirement under 37 CFR §1.98(a)(3), for foreign language documents, Applicant encloses herewith a copy of the European Search Report citing such documents, together with an English-language version (if not already included) of that portion of the Search Report indicating the degree of relevance found by the foreign office.

This citation does not constitute an admission that the references are relevant or material to the claims. They are only cited as constituting related art of which the applicant is aware.

I hereby certify that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was the first citation of that item by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application, which occurred not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

It is respectfully requested that the listed references be considered by the Examiner and formally made of record in this application.

Please charge any deficiencies in fees and credit any overpayment of fees to Attorney's Deposit Account No. 50-0481.

Respectfully submitted,

Sean M. McGinn

Registration No.: 34,386

Date: 4/8/04

McGinn & Gibb PLLC

8321 Old Courthouse Road, Suite 200

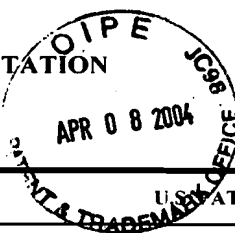
Vienna, VA 22182-3817

(703) 761-4100

Customer No. 21254

# INFORMATION DISCLOSURE CITATION

(Use several sheets if necessary)



Docket Number (Optional)

K06-159567M/AT

Application Number

10/628,305

Applicant(s)

Masao Goto, et al.

Filing Date

July 29, 2003

Group Art Unit

3726

## U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

*EXAMINER INITIAL	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
		4,904,094	02/27/1990	Furumura et al.			

## FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

	REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
							YES	NO
		EP 1 099 869 A2	05/16/2001	European				
		EP 1 138 795 A1	10/04/2001	European				
		EP 0 458 646 A1	11/27/1991	European				
		2000-345299	12/12/2000	Japan			(ACS only)	

## OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

		European Search Report dated February 2, 2004.

EXAMINER

DATE CONSIDERED

EXAMINER: Initial if citation considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP Section 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.